United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Name of Assigned Judge or Magistrate Judge	George Lindberg	Sitting Judge if Other than Assigned Judge	
CASE NUMBER	08 C 1230	DATE	6/9/2008
CASE TITLE	Navigators Insurance Co., Inc. vs. NG Express, Inc., et al.		

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Order Form (01/2005)

The court, <u>sua sponte</u>, strikes defendants NG Express, Inc., and Montex Transportation, Inc.'s "Counter-Complaint" [17]. This document purports to state a claim against a co-defendant, Northwood Associates, and not against plaintiff, so the document despite being entitled a "Counter-Complaint" attempts to allege a cross-claim. Compare FRCP 13(a) and (b) with 13(g). In any event, neither a "counter-complaint" nor a "cross-complaint" is a separate pleading. See FRCP 7(a) (list of pleadings allowed). Rather, a defendant's counterclaim or cross-claim must be stated in that defendant's answer. See FRCP 13(a), (b), and (g).

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